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and Necrology Report

COME!

The One Hundred and Second year of Miami University is drawing to a close. The exercises of Commencement week will be of more than usual interest. Doctor James Burrill Angell, President Emeritus of the University of Michigan, the venerable Dean of Presidents of State Universities, will deliver the Commencement Address. The record has again been broken and the College of Liberal Arts will this year send out the largest class in all its long history. The same is true of the Normal College.

A feature of special importance will be the installation of a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. The national officers of the society will be present to conduct the exercises.

An unusually large number of Alumni have already expressed their intention of returning this year. Miami extends to every Alumnus and former student the most cordial of invitations to attend the exercises of Alumni Day and Commencement. It is hoped that many can come and remain for the exercises of the entire week.

Men of Miami, Come!
Come to revisit the old!
Come to see the new!

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THE EVENTS OF COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND YEAR OF MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, OHIO,

June Tenth to Fourteenth, Nineteen Hundred and Eleven.

Saturday, June Tenth

- 10:30 P. M. Farewell Chapel and Recognition Service in the Auditorium. The Cincinnati Chapter of the Ohio Society of the Sons of the Revolution, guests of honor.
- 1:00 P. M. Luncheon at Hepburn Hall, complimentary to the official guests of the day.
- 7:30 P. M. Students' Night, on the Campus and in the Auditorium.

Sunday, June Eleventh

- 10:30 P. M. Baccalaureate Services in the University Chapel. Sermon by the Reverend Guy Potter Benton, D. D., LL. D., President of the University.
- 7:30 P. M. Annual Sermon before the Christian Associations in the University Chapel by the Reverend James Henry Potts, D. D., Editor of "The Michigan Christian Advocate," Detroit, Michigan.

Monday, June Twelfth

- 7:30 P. M. "Sister Beatrice" drama by Maurice Maeterlinck presented by the graduating class of the Ohio State Normal College of Miami University at the Auditorium.

Tuesday, June Thirteenth

- 10:00 A. M. Annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, in the Senate Room of the University.
- 2:00 P. M. The Eighth Commencement of the Ohio State Normal College of Miami University in the Auditorium. Address by President Lewis Henry Jones, Michigan State Normal College, Ypsilanti, Michigan.
- 4:00 P. M. Reunion of the Graduates of the Ohio State Normal College at Hepburn Hall.

THE EVENTS OF COMMENCEMENT WEEK.

Tuesday, June Thirteenth (Concluded)

- 6:30 P. M. Fourth Annual Balcony Concert by the University Glee Club, at the Auditorium.
- 7:30 P. M. "Richelieu" drama by Bulwer Lytton presented by the graduating class of the College of Liberal Arts at the Auditorium.

Wednesday, June Fourteenth

- 12:00 M. Annual Alumni Reunion and Luncheon, at Bishop Chapel.
- 3:00 P. M. Installation of the Ohio Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Miami University in the Association Chapel.
- 4:00 P. M. Semi-Centennial Reunion of Company B, 20th O. V. I., Major William Henry Chamberlin, Commanding in the Erodelphian Hall.
- 5:00 P. M. Class Reunions. (See page 4)
- 5:00 P. M. Annual Banquet of the Ohio Iota Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa at Hepburn hall.
- 7:30 P. M. Annual address before Phi Beta Kappa by Professor Edwin Augustus Grosvenor, President of the United Chapters of the Society.
- 7:30 P. M. Reunions of the Literary Societies in the various Society Halls.
- 9:00 P. M. Reunions of the Greek Letter Fraternities and other student organizations at the Chapter Houses.

Thursday, June Fifteenth.

- 9:45 A. M. The Commencement Processional, on the Campus.
- 10:00 A. M. Commencement exercises of the One Hundred and Second year of the College of Liberal Arts of Miami University. Commencement orator, Honorable James Burrill Angell, LL. D., President Emeritus of the University of Michigan. Conferring of degrees and announcements of prizes and honors.
- 12:00 M. Close of the One Hundred and Second year of Miami University.
- 2:00 to 5:00 P. M. The President's Reception at "Lewis Place."

CLASS REUNIONS

To the Alumni the most interesting event of the week, after the general Alumni meeting, is the reunion of classes. As in former years quinquennial reunions have been planned, and each of the classes the graduating year of which ends in 1 or 6, *e. g.*, 1891 or 1896, etc., will have a special gathering.

The respective hosts are making every effort to encourage a full attendance and to give the returning Alumni and former students a most enjoyable hour. The hour remains the same as in former years, 5 to 7, Wednesday June 14. The class of '10 will hold its first reunion at the same hour. The following is the list of reunions with place and name of host:

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| '56 | } | Mr. George S. Bishop, 122 S. Campus Ave. | |
| '61 | | | |
| '66 | | | |
| '71 | | | |
| '76 | } | Doctor R. Harvey Cook, "The Retreat". | |
| '91 | | | |
| '96 | | | Mr. George M. Shera, 7 E. Spring St. |
| '01 | | | Mr. Bruce Ferguson, 200 W. Church St. |
| '06 | | | Mrs. Mabelle Coulter Ramsey, W. Corner Poplar and High St. |
| '10 | | Professor Edgar E. Brandon, 201 E. Church St. | |

Necrology For 1910-1911

By. B. S. BARTLOW, CLASS OF 1893.

John A. Whiteside of the class of 1861, died at San Francisco, Cal., in September 1909. Mr. Whiteside was a native of Preble County, Ohio, and resided at Camden while attending Miami University. After his graduation from the scientific department in 1861, he entered the army and served the Union for four years, first as Second Lieutenant of Co. B. 20th O. V. I. He then became Orderly Sergeant Co. B. 86th O. V. I., and served in this regiment during 1862. He then entered as mate of the U. S. Battleship "Essex" and later became Executive Officer of U. S. Ship "Huntress". After the close of the war Mr. Whiteside removed to San Francisco, where he was employed as a deputy in the office of the treasurer of the City, and County of San Francisco, in which capacity he served for several years.

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Edward Henry Kleinschmidt, '66, died at Cincinnati, Ohio, February 28, 1910, aged 66 years. For several months his health had been failing and during the early winter he went to the City Hospital for treatment, but to no avail. He gradually declined until finally the Death Angel came and relieved his tired soul.

Edward H. Kleinschmidt was a loyal son of Old Miami. He received his preparatory education in part in the old Academy and thus was for five years enrolled as a student in the Institution. After graduation in 1866, he never missed an opportunity to visit his Alma Mater. Since the reopening of the institution in 1885, until recently, he made regular visits to the Old School at Commencement time. His last visit to Oxford was during the Centennial week in June, 1909. He was then in feeble health and his friends realized that it would probably be his last visit.

The deceased entered Miami University in the Fall of 1861, as a Freshman, and continued his studies through the Sophomore year. He then answered his country's call to arms, enlisted as a

private in Co. A. 86 O. V. I., and served for several months. In 1864 he reëntered college and in June, 1866, graduated with his class. He studied law for two years and was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1868. He opened a law office in Cincinnati and continued in the practice of the profession for about twenty-five years. For nine years he was the Official Court Interpreter for Hamilton County. About 1900, he became an attaché of the, Cincinnati City Election Board, and was a clerk in the office of the Board of Deputy State Supervisors and Inspectors of Elections of Hamilton County until his death.

While in College, Mr. Kleinschmidt was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity and he never lost interest in the organization. The local chapter was the recipient of many kindly favors at his hands, and his memory will long be cherished by those who knew him.

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Miles Johnston, '64, was born at Montgomery, Ohio, September 7, 1840, and died at his late residence 2040 Crown Avenue, Norwood, Ohio, May 5, 1910. He attended Farmers College 1858-60, and entered the Freshman Class at Miami University in 1860. He graduated with the Class of 1864, and received the honor in science. He then began the study of law and in 1865 entered the Cincinnati Law School, graduating with the degree of L. L. B., in 1867, and was admitted to the bar the same year. He practiced law continuously in Cincinnati until 1906, at which time he was obliged to retire owing to poor health.

In the Civil War, Mr. Johnston rendered services in the U. S. Army during the Kirby Smith and John Morgan raids in 1862-63.

Mr. Johnston was a loyal son of Old Miami, and usually attended the Commencement exercises. He ranked high among the lawyers of Hamilton County, and was honored for his excellent qualities as a citizen.

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Edward Livingston Taylor, '60, was born at Columbus, O., March 21, 1839, and died in his native city May, 29, 1910, aged 71 years, 2 months and 9 days. He was the son of David Taylor and Margaret Livingston, respectively of English and Scotch origin, whose families through widely different channels of ex-

perience came together in Franklin County, Ohio, more than a hundred years ago.

Mr. Taylor was educated in the district schools, in Hanover College, in Indiana, and Miami University, from which latter institution he graduated in 1860. He at once began the study of law at Columbus in the office of Chauncy N. Olds, then one of the foremost leaders of the Franklin County bar. But the Civil War appealed to the patriotism of the law student and during June and July, 1861, he served as a private in a volunteer company. He then returned to his law books until July, 1862, when he again responded to his country's call and was commissioned Captain of Company D in the 95th Ohio Volunteers. He was wounded and taken prisoner at the battle of Richmond, Ky., Aug. 30, 1862. Shortly afterward he was paroled and discharged. Soon again he went to the front, this time with the Army of the Tennessee with which he served until the close of the siege of Vicksburg July 4, 1863. The failure of his health compelled his retirement from the service. His law studies were completed, and having been admitted to the bar in November 1862, he began the practice of his profession in which for forty years he was most successful.

In his attainments and his tastes he was a striking example of the well rounded man. He intensely enjoyed the out-door life. He knew the fields and the forests and delighted in every form of nature. But he also knew books. He had literary instincts and his library was his dukedom. Especially was he given to history, that of his own nation, state and locality. He read profusely of the annals of the aborigines and wrote many monographs thereon. Only a few months before his decease, he gathered many of his essays, historic, reminiscent, etc., and published them in a volume of some three hundred and fifty pages, entitled "Ohio Indians".

Mr. Taylor, early in its history, became a member of the Ohio State Archaeological and Historical Society, to the publications of which he contributed so much of incomparable value, and in the progress of which he took active interest.

For eighteen years, 1881-1899, Mr. Taylor was a Trustee of Miami University and was a regular attendant at its meetings.

He was no ordinary character; his abilities were of an un-

sual order; his qualities of sociability and friendship bound him in closest ties to those who enjoyed the privilege of his companionship.

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Joseph Pierce Davies, '63, was born October 9, 1842, and lived in Dayton, during his life of over sixty-eight years.

He was educated in the Dayton city schools and at Miami University where he nearly completed his course before the Civil War broke out and he entered the Service as Lieutenant of the 2nd. Maryland Cavalry. His command was in the Red River campaign in Texas, when in a skirmish he was captured and was held a prisoner for about six months. He afterwards served as Aide de Camp on the staff of Major-General Thomas J. Wood.

After the war he reëntered Miami University, graduated with the Class of 1863, and soon entered into business with an uncle in Dayton, but later bought the entire business and continued in it until his death.

His surviving relatives are his wife Louie Phillips Davies, his son J. P. Davies, Jr., and a daughter Mrs. W. M. Greenwood of Middletown, N. J. He was a quiet, reserved man, of decided character, devoted to his friends, but taking no part in public affairs.

His illness was continuous for four years past, but he endured it with great patience and courage. He died September 25, 1910.

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Rev. Robert Newman John, '58, was called to the higher life Oct. 28, 1910, after an illness of more than two years, aged 75 years. He was born in the State of Louisiana in 1835, but his family soon moved to Harrison, O., where his youth was spent. He began teaching at the age of 18, and was prepared for college at St. Hanover, Ind. He then matriculated at Miami University, and graduated in 1858.

In 1860 he married Frances Snow, of Harrison, who has been his constant, loving and dutiful companion for half a century, who during his illness nursed him with a love and patience undaunted.

Early in the Civil War, Rev. Mr. John showed his loyalty to the Union cause by enlisting in Co. K. 83, O. V. I. He served under Generals Grant and Sherman. In battle at Arkansas Post,

January 11, 1863, he was wounded in the left forearm which nearly cost him his life. He was honorably discharged in March, 1864. The next year he served as a clerk in the Quartermaster's Department, Military Roads, at Chattanooga, Tenn. He was one of the earliest members of G. A. R., and he was faithful to it to the last. In 1870 his brother-in-law, Rev. J. C. Snow, Principal of Westbrook Seminary, invited him to a professorship which he accepted and held for several years. He was acting president of Smithson College at Logansport, Ind., 1875 to 1877. Later he was Superintendent of Schools at Blanchester, O. He became a Universalist preacher and a missionary with great zeal and love for the church.

He was ordained at Mt. Carmel, Ind. in 1874. Fairfield Union and Mt. Carmel being his first pastorate. From 1883 to 1892, he was State Missionary for Indiana and raised the Indiana Permanent Fund to \$50,000. He had long and happy pastorates at London and Cuba, Ohio, and served the Ohio Universalist Convention both as State Superintendent and State Secretary. He was an Odd Fellow for 54 years, consistent and faithful. This order rendered him signal services during his last illness. He completed the History of the Ballou Association up to 1909 and put it in printed form. His last public service was the marriage of his granddaughter, Hazel Larue, October 2. Rev. Mr. John was optimistic to the last. He was held in great and loving esteem by great numbers of personal and intimate friends, particularly in Ohio and Indiana.

The funeral was held in the Universalist Church at Blanchester before a large concourse of people. The Cuba church members and choir were in attendance. The public schools were dismissed and the teachers and scholars were present in recognition of his eminent services as Superintendent for two years. He leaves to mourn his departure a widow, two sons, two daughters, one sister and three brothers.

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Dr. Robert David Craighead, '66, died at his home in Atlantic City, New Jersey, March 11, 1911, aged 64 years. Dr. Craighead was born at Indianapolis, Ind., in 1847. He entered Miami University in the Fall of 1865, and after one year of study graduated from the Scientific Department receiving the

degree of Bachelor of Science. He then entered the Indiana Medical College at Indianapolis where after a course of four years he received the M. D. degree in 1871. He practiced medicine in his native state for twelve years, and then removed to New York state, where he practiced his profession at Saratoga Springs successfully for fourteen years. He then became a practitioner of medicine in New Jersey at Atlantic City where he resided until his death.

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Edward L. Rowe, '64, for many years one of the most honored residents of Dayton, died at 2:20 o'clock, Thursday afternoon, March 23rd, at the family home, aged 68 years, 6 months and 2 days. Death had been expected for more than a week. He had been ill for nearly a year. An operation for a complication of ailments added to the precariousness of his condition, and death soon came to relieve his suffering. Mr. Rowe was one Ohio's ablest attorneys and a man of brilliant attainments. He was identified with the city's best interests. His wife, a son, Edward L. Jr., and a daughter, Bessie, survive.

Mr. Rowe was a native of Montgomery County, having been born in Germantown, September 21, 1842. His father, Daniel L. Rowe, long a well-known and respected citizen of Germantown, died in 1907, at the age of 93 years.

After receiving the education afforded by the public and high schools of Germantown, Edward L. Rowe entered Miami University where he graduated with the class of 1864. Having decided upon the law as his life work, he took up its study under the direction of his uncle, the Hon. Lewis B. Gunckel, of Dayton.

In May, 1866, he was admitted to the bar, and until 1869 practiced his profession independently. In that year he formed a law partnership with his former preceptor, and after several years, P. H. Gunckel was taken into the firm, which became Gunckel, Rowe and Gunckel. P. H. Gunckel later withdrew from the firm, which resumed its original style of Gunckel and Rowe, and continued its activities under this name until 1890, when W. W. Shuey was admitted and the firm became known as Gunckel, Rowe and Shuey. After the death of Mr. Gunckel, Sr., in 1903, the other two members of the firm continued their

association, and in January, 1907, L. W. James was admitted under the firm style of Rowe, Shuey and James, while in April 1907, Judge E. P. Matthews came into the firm, which then became Rowe, Shuey, Matthews, and James.

Mr. Rowe possessed a mind of singular precision and power, capable of an impartial view of both sides of a question and arriving at a just conclusion. He was a firm believer in the maxim, "There is no excellence without great labor", and followed it closely through his life.

Personally, a most kind and sympathetic man, his amiable disposition made him the favorite of a large circle of friends. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and was a 32nd degree Mason.

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Charles Wright Earnist, '69, died at his home 1764 Forest Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, Wednesday morning April 12, 1911, after a lingering illness of about one year, aged 64 years. Mr. Earnist was born 1847, and entered Miami University from Richmond, Ind., in the Fall of 1865, receiving his A. B. degree in 1869. He was the salutatorian of his class and ranked high in his college studies. After graduation from College, he became a student in the Cincinnati Law School where he received his L. L. B., in 1871. He opened his law office in the Wiggins Block on Fountain Square, and continued actively in the practice of his profession until his last illness.

Mr. Earnist was one of the leading lawyers of the Queen City Bar and enjoyed a lucrative practice. He frequently visited his Alma Mater and always showed the keenest interest in her welfare. He received his A. M. at Miami in 1887, and was a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. The funeral was held from his late residence on Walnut Hills, Friday afternoon, April 14, at two o'clock. He leaves to mourn his departure George C. Earnist, a brother, and May Earnist, a sister.

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John McClanahan, '58, was born at Cambridge, O., Oct. 2, 1832, and died at Manhattan, Ill., April 15, 1911, aged 78 years, 6 months and 13 days. In 1858 he graduated at Miami Univer-

sity, and at once became principal of the schools in his native place. Later he became Superintendent, continuing in this position until the out-break of the Civil War when he organized Company B 15th O. V. I., and entered the military service as Captain. For meritorious service he was soon promoted to the rank of Major; and later to that of Colonel and placed in command of the Fifteenth Ohio Regiment. After the close of the war, Colonel McClanahan still remained in the service and was assigned to duty on the Texas frontier.

His Civil War record was one of which to be proud. He had a horse shot under him and was severely wounded at Stone River and at Chickamauga.

After his army service, he took up the study of law and, was admitted to the bar in 1867. He made his home in Kansas, and was twice elected representative to the State Legislature. At Ottawa, Kansas, he married Miss Francis M. Ricksecker on October 14, 1869. From this union were born two sons and five daughters, all of whom, with the widowed mother survive. Nine grandchildren also survive.

Col. McClanahan spent most of his life after 1870 in educational work. During 1870-72, he was Regent of the State Agricultural Coll. of Kansas. He then removed to Illinois where he held important positions, teaching at Monmouth Coll., for about twenty years, and was Principal or Superintendent of schools at Knoxville, Ill., six years; Galva, Ill., six years; McComb, Ill., five years, and Colchester, Ill., two years. He retired from active work in 1896 and resided at Manhattan.

The deceased was highly esteemed throughout the community, and his death came as a shock to a large number of friends. His funeral was held under the auspices of the Bartleson Post G. A. R., and he was laid to rest at Elmhurst Cemetery, Joliet, Monday afternoon, April 17.

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William B. Hollingsworth, '61, was born in Maysville, Kentucky, on January 17, 1840. He removed with his parents to Iowa in May, 1841. They settled in Burlington. There his father died in 1854, and in 1855 his mother went with him to Oxford, Ohio, where he attended college and graduated from Miami University with the class of 1861. In college Mr. Hollings-

worth was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. He enlisted in the army, April 18, 1861, in Company H. 20th Regiment of Ohio Infantry. After his term of enlistment expired, he returned to Iowa, and in May 1867, was married to Annie S. Thorneloe, of Keokuk county, a woman of great musical talent. They moved to Sigourney in the fall of 1873, and soon afterwards he entered newspaper work as editor and proprietor of the Sigourney Review. He published that paper until 1896.

The deceased had lived in What Cheer about six years. Prior to living here, he and his wife lived two or three years in Madison, Florida. Since that time he had never enjoyed the good health which he had formerly. Mr. Hollingsworth had a brilliant mind. He was a student of politics and was keen with his pen in political debate. He was greatly admired by his colleagues, and was respected by his political opponents.

Mrs. Hollingsworth passed to the world beyond in July, 1909. Since then he had been very lonely and had not taken much interest in the things of this life. The deceased had no children. During his last sickness he was tenderly cared for by his sister, Mrs. Sarah Bradley and her daughter Amelia. He was a kind man. One had to know him to appreciate him. He was faithful and loving to his relatives and friends, and was respected by all who knew him.



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